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FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

TRANSMITTED BELOW IS THE TEXT OF THE G-77 POSITION PAPER
ON FOOD AND AGRICULTURE DISTRIBUTED IN CONNECTION WITH
PREPCOM III FOR THE SEVENTH SPECIAL SESSION.

QUOTE

V. FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

1. THE SOLUTION TO WORLD FOOD PROBLEMS LIES PRIMARILY IN IN-
CREASING RAPIDLY FOOD PRODUCTION IN THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. TO THIS

END, URGENT AND NECESSARY CHANGES IN THE PATTERN OF WORLD FOOD
PRODUCTION AND TRADE STRUCTURES SHOULD BE
INTRODUCED.

2. TO ACHIEVE THESE OBJECTIVES, IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT DEVELOPED
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COUNTRIES SHOULD SUBSTANTIALLY INCREASE THE VOLUME OF ASSISTANCE

TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES FOR AGRICULTURE AND FOOD PRODUCTION AND FULLY AND EFFECTIVELY FACILITATE ACCESS TO THEIR MARKETS FOR AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, INCLUDING FOOD PRODUCTS OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, BOTH IN RAW AND PROCESSED FORM, AND ADOPT ALL OTHER NECESSARY ADJUSTMENT MEASURES.

3. DEVELOPED COUNTRIES SHOULD ACCEPT THE PRINCIPLE OF A MINIMUM AID TARGET OF 10 MILLION TONS OF FOOD GRAINS SET FOR 1975-76 AND THE CONCEPT OF FORWARD PLANNING OF FOOD AID ON A TRIENNIAL BASIS.

4. DEVELOPED COUNTRIES SHOULD INCREASE THE GRANT COMPONENT OF FOOD AID AND ACCEPT MULTILATERAL CHANNELLING OF THESE RESOURCES AT AN EXPANDING RATE. IN PROVIDING FOOD GRAINS AND FINANCES ON SOFT TERMS TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN NEED OF SUCH ASSISTANCE, DEVELOPED COUNTRIES SHOULD TAKE FULLY INTO ACCOUNT THE INTERESTS OF THE FOOD-EXPORTING DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. DEVELOPED COUNTRIES SHOULD ALSO ENSURE THAT SUCH ASSISTANCE TAKE THE FORM OF PURCHASE FROM THE FOOD-EXPORTING DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

5. DEVELOPED COUNTRIES AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN A POSITION TO DO SO SHOULD PROVIDE FOOD GRAINS AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE ON SOFT TERMS TO THE MOST SERIOUSLY AFFECTED COUNTRIES, TO ENABLE THEM TO MEET THEIR FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT REQUIREMENTS WITHIN THE CONSTRAINTS OF THEIR PRECARIOUS BALANCE-OF-PAYMENT POSITION. DONOR COUNTRIES SHOULD ALSO PROVIDE AID ON SOFT TERMS, IN CASH AND KIND, THROUGH BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL CHANNELS, TO ENABLE THE MOST SERIOUSLY AFFECTED COUNTRIES TO OBTAIN 1 MILLION TONS OF PLANT-NUTRIENTS DURING 1975-76.

6. DEVELOPED COUNTRIES SHOULD CARRY OUT, BOTH THEIR BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL FOOD AID CHANNELLING, UNDER PRECISE INTERNATIONAL RULES AND CONTROLS TO PREVENT SURPLUS DISPOSAL AND OTHER COMMERCIAL MARKETS DISRUPTIVE PRACTICES WHICH CAUSE UNDUE FLUCTUATIONS OF MARKET PRICES. THEY SHOULD ALSO ACCEPT THE PRINCIPLE THAT FOOD AID SHOULD BE CHANNELLED ON THE BASIS OF OBJECTIVE

ASSESSMENT OF REQUIREMENTS OF FOOD-IMPORTING DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

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7. THE CONSULTATIVE GROUP ON FOOD PRODUCTION AND INVESTMENT IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES SHOULD QUICKLY IDENTIFY DEVELOPING COUNTRIES WITH POTENTIALS FOR MOST RAPID AND EFFICIENT INCREASE OF FOOD PRODUCTION AS WELL AS THE POTENTIAL FOR RAPID AGRICULTURAL EXPANSION IN OTHER DEVELOPING COUNTRIES ON THE BASIS OF WHICH, DEVELOPED COUNTRIES COULD GIVE PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO SUPPLYING CAPITAL AND OTHER RESOURCES TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES FOR RAPID
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